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MINNESOTA BULLETIN NO. 360-8-12

SUBJECT: PER – WETLAND DELINEATION TRAINING

ACTION DUE BY June 1, 2008

Purpose. To transmit information on the subject training.

Expiration Date. July 1, 2008.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is sponsoring a wetland delineation training session June 16-20, 2008 in Redwood Falls, Minnesota. Those listed below are enrolled to attend the class. See the attached draft agenda for times.

The classroom portions will be held at the Redwood Area Community Center, located off Highway 19/E. Bridge Street in the southeast portion of Redwood Falls, MN. The Community Center is just south of (behind) the Redwood Valley Lodge, where the lodging has been arranged, and adjacent to Walmart. On Thursday, the lunch will be delivered to the field site where the instruction is; participants on per diem will be asked to pay for that lunch in advance. Those who work in Service Centers within reasonable commuting distance to Redwood Falls are not authorized for per diem and lodging. On Friday, June 20, the classroom morning session will be held at the Pizza Ranch at 1360 E. Bridge Street.

Lodging arrangements have been made at the Redwood Valley Lodge on east Highway 19 in Redwood Falls. Please call 507-644-5700 to reserve a room for yourself using a government credit card by June 1, 2008. The block of rooms is being held under "NRCS-Wetland Delineation". The rate is \$55.00 per night plus tax. The rooms will be released on June 1, 2008 and no longer available at this special rate. The hotel offers a complimentary breakfast. More information is available at their web site www.redwoodvalleylodge.com.

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Participants as of May 1, 2008

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Area 11. Justin Carlson	SCT, Glacial Ridge
2. Tom Simpson	SCT, Red Lake Falls
3. Rachelle Winter	SWCD, Thief River Falls
Area 24. Todd Braun	SCT, Baxter
5. Phil Doll	MWA, Detroit Lakes
Area 46. Nathan Blankers	SC, Waite Park
7. Derrick Harmon	SC, Jordan
8. Lynette Horton-Harmon	SC, Farmington
9. Andy Porupsky	SCT, Jordan
10. Matt Schaar	SCT, Farmington

Area 5----11. Rick Gronseth SCT, Benson 12. Kelly Heather DC, Redwood Falls 13. Jon Paul Pringle SCT, Madison Area 6----14. Justin Berg DU. St. Peter 15. Marie Lynch SCT, St. Peter 16. Cory Netland SWCD, Olivia 17. Keith Trudell SCT, Glencoe Area 7----18. Leslie Diaz Alvarez SC, Rochester 19. Desmond Glenn SC, Lewiston 20. Dan Pazdernik SC, Albert Lea SWCD, Albert Lea 21. Mark Schaetzke 22. New Employee DC. Wabasha

Personnel coming from an area office are asked to drive the area van if possible so that minivans can be used to transport participants to field exercises.

This course is a mixture of classroom setting and field exercises. The field exercises will be conducted regardless of weather. Please bring rain gear, insect repellant, sunscreen, hats, knee-high rubber boots, and other items as needed. The course includes a post-test to measure progress of participants.

It is strongly recommended that each participant bring a plant identification book, either taxonomic or pictorial. Please borrow one from a co-worker if you don't own one. Also, those having access to a regional plant indicator list are requested to bring that. A hand lens of at least a power of 10 is recommended for seeing the fine details of plants.

If a participant should need to cancel from the course, please email BOTH Charles Montgomery and Mark Rose.

/s/

WILLIAM HUNT State Conservationist

Attachment

DIST: ASTC (FO)

Area Administrative Coordinators

Wetland Biologists

Participants Sonia Jacobsen Michael Whited Sid Cornelius